Bakalářská práce

Spory mezi státy a federací v USA: Případová studie legalizace konopí

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Abstrakt v anglickém jazyce

This bachelor thesis focuses on relationships between the federal government and the state governments in the United States. The paper tries to find out how the conflicts between the two players in the case of marijuana legislation are resolved. Marijuana is considered to be illegal under the U. S. federal law. Some states, however, the use, possession, and cultivation of limited amount of the drug under different conditions allow. Because of that, a conflict of federal and state laws occurs. This paper tries to determine how such conflicts are resolved; whether the federal legislature prevails the state one or vice versa, or whether the parties approach some mutual compromise. The paper characterizes federal and state marijuana legislation, and deals with the attitudes and reactions of the federal authorities and the courts to state laws. It also recognizes recent change in attitude of the federal authorities, which tends to confirm the assumption that the states and the federation coexist together in a certain way.